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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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NOTE:

Patent must be applied for in the name of all

of the actual inventor or inventors.

For: "INTEGRATED CIRCUITS PROTECTED AGAINST REVERSE ENGINEERING AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING THE SAME USING AN APPARENT METAL CONTACT LINE TERMINATING ON FIELD OXIDE"

Enclosed are:

The Papers Required For Filing Date Under 37 CFR 1.53(b):

11 Pages of specification 1 Page of abstract 4 Pages of claims

<u>5</u> Sheets of drawings [] formal [X] informal (Figs. 1, 1(a), 1(b), 2-3)

[X] In addition to the above papers there is also attached

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 - [] petition and statement required by 37 CFR 1.47 also attached. See item 7 below for fee.

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- [] Application is made by a person authorized under 37 CFR 1.41(c) on behalf of all of the above named inventor(s). The declaration or oath, along with the surcharge required by 37 CFR 1.16(e) can be filed subsequently.
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